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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: **Yong Sung HAM**

Group Art Unit: 2871

Application No.: 09/134,405

Examiner: **T. Duong**

Filing Date: **August 14, 1998**

FOR: **IN-PLANE SWITCHING MODE LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY
DEVICE**

AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the first Office Action after the Request for Continued Examination
(RCE), the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows (A marked up version of the amended claims is attached):

1. (Amended) An in-plane switching mode liquid crystal display device comprising:
- first and second substrates;
 - a plurality of gate and data bus lines defining pixel regions and arranged on the first substrate;
 - a common line in the pixel region, the common line and the data bus lines having a crossing relationship;
 - a pair of first and second electrodes parallel to each other applying plane electric fields in the pixel regions; and

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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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Yong Sung HAM

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.) Response filed April 4, 2002.
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ **Enclosed**
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other:

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
- b. ☐ Other

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0911.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) **\$740.00**
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other:
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$740.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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Signature	<i>Teresa M. Arroyo</i>	Date	May 13, 2002



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